REMARKS

A Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 was mailed to Applicants on March 26, 2008 asserting that claims 1-30 are directed to multiple inventions. Applicant notes that in a Preliminary Amendment filed on September 14, 2004 Applicants canceled claims 3-6, 12-13, and 18-19. Further, Applicants point out that although claims 26-29 are still pending in the present application, the Restriction Requirement is silent with respect to these claims.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants hereby elect the <u>Invention Group</u>
<u>I</u> including claims 1-19, 22-23 and 24-25. Applicants assume that claims 26-29 were meant to be in Group I as well and hereby requests clarification with respect to these claims.

Further consideration of the present application in view of the foregoing election is respectfully requested.

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